

## **Resolution of the California Fair Political Practices Commission**

*The California Fair Political Practices Commission, pursuant to its statutory responsibility for the impartial and effective administration and implementation of the Political Reform Act, does hereby resolve as follows:*

*Whereas*, the Fair Political Practices Commission (Commission) is charged with the impartial, effective administration, implementation and enforcement of the Political Reform Act (Act); and

*Whereas*, the Commission is structured to remain nonpartisan and strives to enforce the Act in a consistent, effective and politically neutral manner; and

*Whereas*, Section 81012 of the Act specifies that the Act may be amended “to further its purposes” by statute passed by the Legislature or by approval of the electors; and,

*Whereas*, the Legislature can amend the Act by a vote of two-thirds of the membership of each house, thereby imposing additional responsibilities upon the Commission; and

*Whereas*, any additional duties imposed upon the Commission without adequate funding reduces the Commission’s ability to enforce the Political Reform Act; and

*Whereas*, imposing additional obligations upon the Commission without providing the resources necessary to accomplish those duties would not “further the purposes” of the Act; now therefore,

*Be it resolved* that the Commission hereby adopts a position of opposition to any legislative measure, introduced during the remainder of the 2007-08 Legislative Session, that expands the duties or responsibilities of the Commission or requires additional Commission resources to implement, unless the measure includes an appropriation adequate to carry out its provisions.

Subscribed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008.

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Ross Johnson, Chairman

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Robert Leidigh, Commissioner

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Timothy A. Hodson, Commissioner

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Ray Remy, Commissioner

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A. Eugene Huguenin, Jr., Commissioner